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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Address to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Application No. 09/873,067

Filing Date 6/6/01

First-Named Inventor Tobin

Art Unit 2173

Examiner Name T. Zhou

Attorney Docket No. 80398.P596

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See instruction sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37. C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-21060

- i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. Processing fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) for Limited Suspension of Action
- iv. Other _____

b. Check in the amount of \$ 790.00 enclosed

c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type) Sheryl Sue Holloway

Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 37,850

Signature

Date July 21, 2006

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Date July 21, 2006

FEE TRANSMITTAL FOR FY 2005

Effective on 12/08/2004. Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 790.00

Complete if Known:

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fees Paid (\$)
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	
1011	300	2011 150	Utility application filing fee
1111	500	2111 250	Utility search fee
1311	200	2311 100	Utility examination fee
			} 1,000/500
1012	200	2012 100	Design application filing fee
1112	100	2112 50	Design search fee
1312	130	2312 65	Design examination fee
			} 430/215
1013	200	2013 100	Plant filing fee
1113	300	2113 150	Plant search fee
1313	160	2313 80	Plant examination fee
			} 660/330
1004	300	2004 150	Reissue filing fee
1114	500	2114 250	Reissue search fee
1314	600	2314 300	Reissue examination fee
			} 1,400/700
1005	200	2005 100	Provisional application filing fee
SUBTOTAL (1)			\$ <u>0</u>

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

				<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee from below</u>	<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
Total Claims		- 20 or HP =		X	=	
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20						
Independent Claims		- 3 or HP =		X	=	
HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3						
Multiple Dependent Claims					=	
Large Entity	Small Entity					
<u>Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>			
<u>Code</u>	<u>(\$)</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>(\$)</u>	<u>Fee Description</u>		
1202	50	2202	25	Each claim over 20		
1201	200	2201	100	Each independent claim over 3		
1203	360	2203	180	Multiple dependent claims, if not paid		
1204	200	2204	100	Reissue: each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent		
1205	50	2205	25	Reissue: each independent claim more than in the original patent		
SUBTOTAL (2) \$						<u> </u>

3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper, the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

<u>Total Sheets</u>	<u>Extra Sheets</u>	<u>Number of each add'l 50 or fraction thereof</u>	<u>Fee from below</u>	<u>Fees paid (\$)</u>
_____	$- 100 = \text{_____} / 50 = \text{_____}$ (round up to whole number)		X	_____

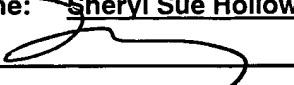
<u>Large Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee Description:</u> Application size fee for each additional group of 50 sheets beyond initial 100 sheets (count spec & drawings except sequences & program listings):
Fee	Fee	
Code	(\$)	
1081	250	Utility
1082	250	Design
1083	250	Plant
1084	250	Reissue

SUBTOTAL (3) \$ 0

FEE CALCULATION (continued)**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

<u>Large Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)			
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	
1051	130	2051	65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
1052	50	2052	25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
1053	130	1053	130 Non-English specification
1812	2,520	1812	2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination
1813	8,800	1813	8,800 Request for inter parties reexamination
1804	920*	1804	920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
1251	120	2251	60 Extension for reply within first month
1252	450	2252	225 Extension for reply within second month
1253	1,020	2253	510 Extension for reply within third month
1254	1,590	2254	795 Extension for reply within fourth month
1255	2,160	2255	1,080 Extension for reply within fifth month
1401	500	2401	250 Notice of Appeal.
1402	500	2402	250 Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403	1,000	2403	500 Request for oral hearing
1451	1,510	1451	1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding
1452	500	2452	250 Petition to revive – unavoidable
1453	1,500	2453	750 Petition to revive - unintentional
1501	1,400	2501	700 Utility issue fee (or reissue)
1502	800	2502	400 Design issue fee
1503	1100	2503	550 Plant issue fee
1462	400	1462	400 Petitions to the Commissioner (CFR 1.17(f) Group I)
1463	200	1463	200 Petitions to the Commissioner (CFR 1.17(g) Group II)
1464	130	1464	130 Petitions to the Commissioner (CFR 1.17(h) Group III)
1807	50	1807	50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)
1806	180	1806	180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
8021	40	8021	40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
1809	790	2809	395 For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a))
1814	130	2814	65 Statutory Disclaimer
1810	790	2810	395 For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b))
1801	790	2801	395 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
1802	900	1802	900 Request for expedited examination of a design application
1504	300	1504	300 Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal pub.
1505	300	1505	300 Publication fee for republication
1803	130	1803	130 Request for voluntary publication or republication
1808	130	1808	130 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) (except provisionals)
1454	1,370	1454	1,370 Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority
Other fee (specify) _____			
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SUBTOTAL (4) \$ 790.00			

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